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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed November 15, 2001, Applicants elect the invention of Group I drawn to a computer based method for identifying invariant peptide motifs, classified in class 702, subclass 27. Applicants make the following elections in response to the requirement to elect a species: *Mycoplasma tuberculosis*; VRKRPGMYIG; and DNA gyrase subunit B. It is pointed out that the invention presented features a computer-based method for identifying peptide motifs that are useful as drug targets, and the method is not limited to the specific microbe or microbial protein used. The requirement to elect species is traversed without prejudice to the patentability of claimed species over one another.

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